CALL YOUR PRIMARY CARE PROVIDER FIRST

If you have a primary care provider, contact them if you believe you may need to be tested for COVID-19. Your primary care provider will assess your need for testing or care, and direct you to a testing location that best suits your needs.

NOT SURE WHERE TO GO? FQHCs CAN ASSIST

Many federally funded community health centers (FQHCs) are offering free COVID-19 testing services. Community health centers offer a wide range of healthcare services to those with or without insurance and provide care regardless of a patient's ability to pay. To find a community health center near you, click here.

The Families First Coronavirus Response Act and subsequent federal relief packages have ensured access to free COVID-19 testing everyone regardless if you have insurance. This chart can help you understand how to access free COVID-19 testing.

CITY OF CHICAGO RESIDENTS

The City of Chicago is operating COVID-19 testing sites that are completely free of charge. To see a list of sites, or pre-register for a test, click here.

RESIDENTS RESIDING OUTSIDE CHICAGO

For a list of COVID-19 testing sites in Illinois, click here. Sites listed as IDPH drive-through sites are free of charge. Other sites may charge for COVID-19 testing and may accept health insurance. If a testing site accepts your insurance, there should be no cost to you for a COVID-19 test.

CALL BEFORE YOU GO

Once you have identified a testing site, call ahead to ask:
- Do you have tests available for today?
- Do I need a referral from a doctor, or are there any other requirements to get tested?
- Is there a charge for the test?
    - If you have health insurance: Do you accept my insurance?
    - If you are uninsured: Do you offer free testing for uninsured patients?